

Table 3.26. **Export Performance, China 1890–1996**

	Commodity Exports in 1990 \$ million	Col. 1 as per cent of GDP in 1990 int. \$ million	Commodity Exports in current \$ million	Col. 3 as per cent of world exports in current \$	Ratio of Commodity Exports in current prices to official Chinese estimates of GDP
1890	1 207	0.6	126	1.7	
1913	2 874	1.2	289	1.6	
1929	4 288	n.a.	660	2.0	
1952	3 182	1.0	820	1.0	
1959	9 265	2.0	2 260	2.0	
1970	7 462	1.2	2 260	0.7	
1978	16 076	1.7	9 750	0.8	4.6
1990	62 090	2.9	62 090	1.9	16.1
1995	138 388	4.3	148 797	2.9	21.3
1996	n.a.	n.a.	151 197	n.a.	18.3

*Source:* First column, exports in 1990 \$ are derived by merging the volume index in Table E.4 with the 1990 export level. The second column is the ratio of the first column to the estimates of GDP in 1990 international dollars in Tables C.3 and C.4. The export values in current dollars in column 3 are from Table E.2. The ratios in the fourth column are derived from column 3, and world export values (see Maddison, 1995a, p. 238). The fifth column shows yuan value of exports divided by yuan values of GDP from SSB, *China Statistical Yearbook*, 1997.